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Dear Sir:

With regard to the above-identified application, the items of information listed on the enclosed Form 1449 are brought to the attention of the Examiner.

This statement should be considered because it is submitted within three months of the filing date of the above-identified application, which is not an application under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(d). Accordingly, no fee is due for consideration of the items listed on the enclosed Form 1449.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(2), a copy of all foreign document or other information listed on the enclosed Form 1449 is provided. Since this application is being filed after June 30, 2003, copies of US references are not enclosed herewith.

Applicants respectfully bring to the Examiner's attention that six of the references listed on the enclosed Form 1449 were cited in an International Search Report, enclosed herewith.

A concise explanation of the relevance of each non-English language document or other information is as follows (37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(3)):

US 6,325,975 corresponds to JP 11-56821. US 5,759,866 corresponds to JP 9-196920. US 6,830,669 corresponds to JP 2001-159618. AU 733985 corresponds to JP 2001-525554. English abstracts are provided for JP 2000-146777, JP 2000-116629, JP 2001-305093, and JP 7-55801.

No representation is made that a reference is "prior art" within the meaning of 35 U.S.C. §§ 102 and 103 and Applicants reserve the right, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.131 or otherwise, to establish that the reference(s) are not "prior art." Moreover, Applicants do not represent that a reference has been thoroughly reviewed or that any relevance of any portion of a reference is intended.

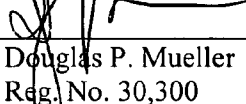
Consideration of the items listed is respectfully requested. Pursuant to the provisions of M.P.E.P. 609, it is requested that the Examiner return a copy of the attached Form 1449, marked as being considered and initialed by the Examiner, to the undersigned with the next official communication.

Please charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-3478.

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| <b>FORM 1449*</b><br><b>INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT</b><br><br><b>IN AN APPLICATION</b><br><br>(Use several sheets if necessary) | Docket Number:<br>10921.373USWO | Application Number:<br>Unknown |
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| EXAMINER                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | /Sally Sakelaris/ | DATE CONSIDERED | 04/08/2009 |
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